The Elms
Sunday Evening
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My dear Mr Garrison

I cannot let my wife's few lines go without being - few of my own & thank you for your kind remembrance of us at this season of the year & for the papers lately sent me containing your appreciative & beautiful lines on your Mother's Birthday along with many others on touching & beautiful themes the papers contain your story animadversions on your new President Noting he be, you can

I often understand this question from Jean Du. I had hoped President Hayes's Pacific policy would eventually have benefited the country & with the aid of the Democratic party we might soon see a more liberal tariff, & our two great countries more closely united than ever each benefiting the other by a free interchange of commodities. Oh what a blessing this would be to my Country. Tom & Brad & I could all work happily together by such a policy & save our own country

would not suppose.
Tell Frank I duly
received the N.º of the
Atlantic Monthly sent
L B Clark's Story, he
kindly sent me. Have
written to him. I have
been in to my neighbours
the Misses Barron;
By the bye I ought to
tell you of the intended
marriage of Mr Barron
M.P. he is to be married
in a few days before
the opening of Parliament
to a Miss Bilton of Scarboro'
who I understand is a
very lady like pleasant
woman. Mr B & his
daughters are dining with
us in a week's time just

before the marriage.
I saw Geo Thompson
last Thursday Evening
when I took him some
money kindly sent me
by Friends. He appeared
better than I ever saw
him since I found him. Left
Frank G. I was greatly
pleased with his Kind
letter & him & Lotty &c.
I had the pleasure of
sending it home & I
know you intended
visiting them & your daughter
& I hope you may find
her & her & your friends
& husband all well.
With best wishes for the
coming year I remain
your Father Jones faithfully
Joseph Leighton